Kirkland Transportation Commission Meeting Notes Wednesday May 22, 2013

Call to Order

Chair Pfundt called the meeting to order at 6:07 p.m. <u>Members Present</u>: Tom Neir, Carl Wilson, John Perlic, Sandeep Singhal, Mike Snow, Tom Pendergrass. <u>Kirkland Staff Present</u>: Dave Godfrey, Pam Bissonnette Public Works Department

Approval of meeting notes from April 24, 2013 meeting.

Approved as presented.

Public Comment

None

100th Avenue Corridor Study

Staff reviewed the scope and schedule of the 100th Avenue Corridor study. The Commission asked that there be another check in with the Commission before the study is finalized. The Commission also discussed a bike lane project for 100th Avenue south of the Corridor study.

Walk and Roll Safety Fair

Staff described the final planning for the Walk and Roll event. The Commission offered several suggestions including the need to make sure that pedestrian interests were adequately represented and the need to make outreach techniques compelling. The Commission agreed that a question on street closure (ciclovia) and a timeline of bicycle and pedestrian accomplishments (with a question: what is next?) should be presented along with the outreach tools that were presented at the May 14 business outreach meeting.

Cross Kirkland Corridor Master Plan

Staff discussed the comments that were received at the May 14 business outreach meeting and presented an outline of the scope of the Plan. The Commission was concerned that the residential areas of the corridor be treated equitably and the Commission emphasized the need to analyze these areas carefully including the need for access. Staff described action before the Surface Transportation Board regarding the corridor and the County Regional Advisory Committee process.

Community Planning Day

Staff and Commission discussed the plans for the June 8 event.

Updates from Commissioners and Staff

Staff reported on the May 21 study session with Council, PSRC's Growing Transit Communities Strategies and the Levy dashboard report. Comments from Commissioners; **Wilson:** Questioned why there would be support for a Sound Transit ballot measure when there is standing room only on ST Express buses. **Snow:** Wondered what information was available about the fatal bus crash at NE 128th Street. **Pendergrass:** Understands that there may be fewer neighborhood groups in Kirkland which may change the way we need to do public process. Also commented about the approachability of European transit and questioned why, in the City of Kirkland, density north of NE 116th Street seems so acceptable, but south of 85th it is always questioned. **Pfundt:** Explained a meeting he had with the Chairs of the Park Board and Planning Commission. A joint meeting of the three bodies is planned for mid-July. Described the TRailways Alliance meeting scheduled for June 1 at Woodinville.

Meeting adjourned Unanimously approved to adjourn 8:20 p.m.